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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/EO//US)

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
PCT/EP96/02766 25/June/1996 27/June/1995TITLE OF INVENTION  
DEVICE FOR AUTOMATICALLY EMPTYING A BULK CONTAINERAPPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US  
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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated Office (DO/US) the following items under 35 USC 371:

1.  This express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)).
2.  The U.S. National Fee (35 USC 371(c)(1)) and other fees as follows:

CLAIMS (1) FOR	(2) NUMBERED FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS	6 -20=	0	X \$ 22.00	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2 -3=	0	X \$ 82.00	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if possible)	+ \$270.00			
	BASIC FEE	\$700.00	+ 700.00	
Surcharge of \$ 130.00 for furnishing the National fee or oath or declaration later than 20 months from any claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.445(a)(5)).				+
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS				= 700.00
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Affidavit must be filed also. (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).				-
SUBTOTAL				700.00
Credit of \$ for full International Search Fee previously paid to the USPTO for searching corresponding International Application (Note 37 CFR 1.445(a)(4)).				-
SUBTOTAL				\$ 700.00
Processing fee of \$ 130.00 for furnishing the English Translation later than 20 months from any claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.445(a)(6)).				+
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED				\$ 700.00

- a.  A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees is enclosed.
- b.  Please charge my Deposit Account No. 19-3869 in the amount of \$ 700.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- c.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any over-payment to Deposit Account 19-3869. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
3.  A copy of the International Application as filed (35 USC 371(c)(2)).
- a.  is transmitted herewith
- b.  is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office.
- c.  has been transmitted.
- i.  by the International Bureau.
- ii.  by the applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.
4.  A translation of the International application into English (35 USC 371(c)(2)).

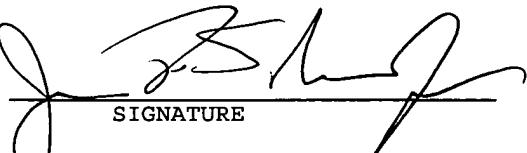
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6.  Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).  
a.  are transmitted herewith.  
b.  have been transmitted  
i.  by the International Bureau  
ii.  by the applicant on (date) \_\_\_\_\_.
6.  A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 USC 371(c)(3)).
7.  An oath or declaration of the inventor (35 USC 371(c)(4)).

Other document(s) or information included:

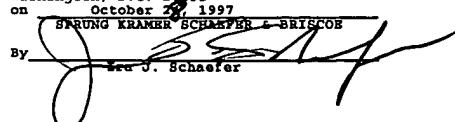
8. a.  An international search report or declaration under PCT Article 17(2)(a).  
b.  The international search report has not yet issued.
9.  An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
10.  An assignment document for recording.  
Please mail the recorded assignment document to  
a.  the person whose signature, name and address appears at the bottom of this page.  
b.  the following:
11.  The above checked items are being transmitted.  
a.  before the 18th month publication.  
b.  after publication and the Article 20 communication but before 20 months from the priority date.  
c.  after 20 months but before 22 months (surcharge and/or processing fee included).  
d.  after 22 months (surcharge and/or processing fee included).
- NOTE: Petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) is necessary if 35 USC 371 requirements are submitted after 22 months.
12.  At the time of transmittal, the time limit for amending claims under Article 19  
a.  has expired and no amendments were made.  
b.  has not yet expired.
13.  Certain requirements under 35 USC 371 were previously submitted by the applicant on \_\_\_\_\_  
namely:
14.  Preliminary Amendment

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